

## TWO MEETINGS.

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bought and had a right to fence it, but no man had a right to fence up another's property or the public highway. Every man had a right to a highway to and from his domain. But no man had a right to organize and lead a mob to destroy another man's property because his own had been contravened. Such action was the twin sister to communism. The laws of the country could right his wrongs, and that was the proper course to pursue, and they should be appealed to. He appealed to everyone to maintain peace; to check the spirit of communism, and if it was not done we would all suffer for it, but he who would suffer most was the poor man who was snugly settled in his little cottage and happy in the bosom of his little family. He requested all who were fenced in or who felt aggrieved by the wire fence problem, to rise and tell the meeting of it, but not a single one arose. Following up a plain, simple argument, Col. Booth contended very earnestly that the fence cutters were a set of reckless dare-devils, who owned no property, but did the work out of pure devilry. He was followed by Mr. Stillwell, who is a farmer. He said he was not in favor of wire fences, but was opposed to the fence cutting. His remarks were listened to closely, as many were under the impression that he represented the fence cutters, but he did not and did not know any of them.

The following resolution was adopted: Resolved, That it is the sense of this convention that we believe that it is nothing but proper and right that men should have the right to fence their own lands, but no more.

Resolved, further, That we believe that if pasture men will fence no more land than is owned, or in some way controlled by them, there will be a cessation of the trouble now on us, viz: wire cutting.

Resolved, further, That public roads should be unobstructed; provided, still further, that while stockmen may have done wrong in fencing lands not owned by them, we do not approve of wire cutting nor in any way the destruction of private property. Respectfully submitted,

Signed,  
J. M. HUDMAN,  
B. L. FROST,  
B. T. JAMES.

The convention adjourned at 5 o'clock, after an interesting meeting, and some very elaborate remarks by Rev. Proctor and Col. Booth, of Decatur. W. B. Plimmons of Henrietta and Joe Harris, of Cook county, were appointed by the stock men to meet two to be named by the farmers on October 4th in convention, those parties to select the fifth man. It is generally believed the matter will be brought to a satisfactory understanding and everything go well in Clay county.

## AUSTIN.

The Amendments Declared a Part of the Constitution—An Appointment—Other Capital Notes.

Special to the Gazette.  
Austin, September 25.—The governor to-day issued a proclamation declaring the result of the election, and proclaiming the amendments a part of the constitution.

The following charters were filed to-day: Grimes County Improved Stock company, capital stock, \$25,000, business office at Navasota; and the Texas Commercial Travelers association, of Galveston.

The governor to-day appointed C. C. Dillard a member of the board of managers of the Insane asylum.

Lieutenant Shockey telegraphed the adjutant-general to-day, that he has arrested one Bartholomew for murder at Rio Grande City.

Captain Baylor reports that one of his men, B. Barnett, has gone crazy, and that he will be sent to the asylum.

## SAN ANTONIO.

Preparations for the Volksfest—Two Marriages—The Mysterious Miss Churchill.

Special to the Gazette.  
San Antonio, September 25.—The Volksfest preparations are going on actively and on a large scale. Excursion rates from the East have been obtained.

Roxy Reese, a well known railroad engineer, was married to-day to Miss Amanda Schmetz, of this city.

Miss Mollie Dwyer, of this city, was last evening married to Lieutenant Nordstrom, of the army.

It is supposed that Miss Churchill, who was abducted from St. Louis, passed through here for Mexico, but by what route cannot be learned. At any rate a young woman answering the description was seen here last week.

## GREENVILLE.

A Report Corrected—Fence Cutting, but no Violence—Cotton Receipts.

Special to the Gazette.  
Greenville, September 25.—An article is being published by a great many papers to the effect that a Mr. Wise, a stockman of this county, had been robbed, and that, after being hung, was completely riddled with shot. The report is utterly false. Although there has been some fence-cutting in this county, over which a great deal of excitement prevailed, no violence of this sort has occurred. In justice to Hunt county, the papers publishing the article referred to should make the correction.

Greenville is receiving cotton at the rate of 250 bales per day, and everything is in a rush.

## GALVESTON.

Reporter Jacobs Held for Libel—Increase of Shipping.

Special to the Gazette.  
Galveston, September 25.—Jacobs, the reporter charged with libeling the woman Spencer by publication in the *Print* a few weeks ago, was held to-day in the sum of \$500 to await the action of the grand jury in November. The bond was promptly given.

The number of vessels in the harbor is gradually increasing. Recent arrivals are principally British steamships. Arrived: San Marco, from New York.

## A DAY AT DALLAS.

HENRY WARD BEECHER'S LECTURE NEXT THURSDAY.

The Telegraph Injunction Suit—District Court—Locusts in Jail—Criminal Items—Base Ball.

Special to the Gazette.

Dallas, Texas, Sept. 25.—After several days' effort the officers to-day finally succeeded in serving process on Master of Transportation Crowley of the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe railway in charge of the construction forces putting up the rival telegraph line to the Western Union to Cleburne, but not however until the line had been strung between the two points. Crowley claims that at the time of the service of the papers he and his forces had quit work on construction and that five hundred citizens of Dallas, Ellis and Johnson counties were stringing the wires gratuitously. Superintendent L. C. Baker, of St. Louis, is in the city in the interest of the Western Union, and has been consulting during the day with strong legal talent. Injunctions have been served on the Santa Fe in the counties above named, and the matter will now drift into the courts with all the legal complications. The Santa Fe will in a day or two, have a through telegraph line in operation from Dallas to Galveston, Houston, Fort Worth and other points on its system.

The jury docket of the district court will be taken up October 8, and will occupy seven weeks. The criminal docket will be taken up November 23, and will occupy two weeks.

Cotton prospects are much brighter than was hoped for a few weeks ago. The indications are that the crop will be fully as large as last year. Receipts the past two days have increased very largely, and the best effects of the local market give promise of soon disappearing entirely.

The sheriff of Talladega county, Alabama, telegraphs Marshal Arnold that he will arrive here Friday for S. W. Wright, who is in jail here awaiting transportation to that place, where he is wanted for shooting with intent to kill.

Henry Ward Beecher lectures here next Thursday night on "The reign of the common people." The sales of tickets are very large. It is given out that he will not visit Fort Worth during his present trip, and efforts are being made to have him put in another night at Dallas, but the date has not yet been determined upon. It is also suggested that a special car be run over to accommodate Fort Worth people, but the prospects are not very favorable for its accomplishment.

Parties at Abilene, to-day, telegraphed Sheriff Smith to hold Tom Brown until they could arrive. The sheriff has no Tom Brown in custody, but presumes some criminal with an alias is in the county jail, who will be identified as the party wanted.

W. W. Walker, John McMann and Ellen Kemlets were adjudged insane in the county court to-day. Miss Kemlets is a German, aged about twenty-eight years. She was formerly a member of an opera company, and at times, in jail, she fills that end of town with music. McMann has been in jail many months. He is quiet and perfectly harmless. Walker recently lost his mind, and was locked up last night.

The Brown Stockings returned from their South Texas tour of two weeks duration this morning. A large party of citizens met them at the Union depot with a brass band and escorted them to the base ball association's rooms, where they were handsomely banqueted and presented with purses of three hundred dollars. Out of twenty-four games played, the Browns have only lost two—one to Shreveport and one to Galveston. An effort is being made to induce the Nationals, of Houston, to play the Browns in Dallas next Sunday. Should the effort succeed, there is no doubt but the largest crowd of the season in Texas will be present, as it will be the first appearance of the champions after their return home, and the Nationals are great favorites with them and their friends.

At 5:30 o'clock to-night, a coal oil lamp exploded in a general merchandizing store, corner Elm and Leonard streets, and spread to several frame and two brick buildings adjoining, destroying them and most of their contents. The fire soon extended to the extensive lumber yard of J. T. Elliott, and destroyed a portion of the stock. For some cause the water supply in the city works gave out, and for a while the prospects were that a large area of the eastern part of the city would be burned, but water was finally secured, and at 11:30 p. m. the fire department had gotten the conflagration under control and checked the progress. It is impossible to give losses and insurance to-night. The loss is heavy and only partially covered.

## BELTON.

Opening of Court—A Busy Day—An Incendiary Fire Nipped in the Bud.

Special to the Gazette.  
Belton, September 25.—District court opened yesterday and will continue two weeks longer than usual, but will not get through the docket.

To-day has been one of the best of the season. The streets were crowded with carous and bargues. We received 375 bales of cotton to-day, making 4,000 to date.

A fire broke out at five o'clock this evening in the rear of W. B. Blair's grocery store and J. J. Robertson's tin shop. It was incendiary in origin, but fortunately discovered in time to extinguish it without much damage. This makes five fires in the last two weeks.

## ALBANY.

The First Bale of New Cotton—Weather and Health.

Special to the Gazette.  
Albany, Texas, Sept. 25.—The first bale of new cotton was brought in to-day by Mosley & Ford, of Crystal Falls, bought by T. E. Conrad & Co., and shipped to Blankenship & Blake, Dallas.

Weather fine; health good.

## WACO.

Almost a Big Fire—Mr. Beecher's Lecture—A New Daily Paper—Other Items of Interest.

Special to the Gazette.

Waco, September 25.—Some matches caught fire about six o'clock this evening in the ware-room of Tucker & Willis, adjoining their drug store, and communicated with a lot of ant exterminator. The burning sulphur was almost stifling, even after the fire was put out, which was done by the fire company before much damage was done. But considerable loss was sustained, perhaps to the amount of \$1,000, by flooding the store-room with water. The sprinkler wagon ran into Mr. J. D. Bell's buggy this morning at Fourth street, and bent the spindle of one of the hind wheels.

Rev. James Billings, a Universalist minister is in the city. He will remain here till after next Sunday, and will preach during the time if a suitable house can be obtained. He visits Texas as a missionary, representing the general convention of the Universalist church.

The fire alarms of the city are now in position. They were tested to-day and found to work satisfactorily.

Mrs. W. B. Morrison is quite sick with fever.

We hear considerable complaint relative to the inefficiency of the telephone exchange of this place, and especially at night.

The lecture of Henry Ward Beecher to be delivered here at the opera house next Saturday night, the 27th inst., is such as will doubtless draw a large house. The theme is "The Reign of the Common People."

Three colored youths, James A. Hines, Willis Campbell and William Campbell, left here yesterday to attend college at Washington City. They will enter the graduating class.

The charter of the proposed new paper soon to be published at Waco, was probably filed in Austin to-day. The name of the paper is "The Day." It will start as an evening daily. The capital stock is \$500. The press has arrived and the balance of the material will be here in a few days. The first number will be issued about the 15th of October. The paper will be "set" in nonpareil and agate type. The company is composed of practical printers and newspaper men, and besides, we understand that the enterprise is backed with ample capital, and it will hardly fail.

Mr. Baker, of Dakota, the husband of Mrs. Baker who eloped with Dr. Swisher, is here, presumably to recover his children. Dr. Swisher is still in jail, awaiting the arrival of an officer from Dakota. Mrs. Baker and the children are here in a boarding house. Mr. Dick Davis left this evening on the Missouri Pacific train, via Fort Worth, for his ranch in Dickens county.

The cotton market closed here to-day weak. Prices unchanged; 9 to 9 1/2, with a downward tendency. Receipts, 127 bales.

M. Surratt Esq., returned this morning from Hillsboro. The attorneys up to the time he left, had not agreed on a special judge. Judge Chas. A. Jennings of this place has been selected, but he is too sick with fever to accept the position.

Capt. S. A. Blair went up to Hillsboro this evening, to attend the bedside of his sick brother, L. J. Sturgis. Alderman Makeig went up to West this evening.

E. Mayer & Co., woolers, to-day assigned to Simon Dalsig, and gave preference to the amount of \$50,513. The preferences were principally on account of accommodation notes and money loaned. The assignees expressed the belief that the liabilities would exceed \$1,000,000 and considered it probable the assets would not be far short of the debts. He could assign no cause for the suspension. The firm has been in existence for twenty-five years and its business has been confined exclusively to woolens.

Charles F. Davis, a carriage maker, of Courtland street, filed an assignment to-day for the benefit of his creditors giving preferences amounting to \$20,122.

Levi Bros. & Co., clothiers, 47 Broadway, filed an assignment to-day for the benefit of their creditors to Solomon H. Kahn and have given preference to the amount of about \$90,000.

Mr. John Farley, his wife and his niece Miss Dottie Kelly, left this evening for St. Louis.

H. Slesinger left on this evening's train for Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Maj. A. Hinchman went up to Hillsboro this evening on business connected with his branch agricultural house at that place.

Mr. W. B. Willis, Maj. E. H. Graham, Col. J. M. Anderson, Mrs. John M. Dyer, Dr. H. Robinson and Mr. John Boldman were among the many passengers on the Missouri Pacific this evening.

Col. L. Busone of Galveston is in the city.

## MORGAN.

A Gin Burned—Almost a Solid Vote in Favor of City Free School Taxation.

Special to the Gazette.  
Morgan, September 25.—The gin of Mr. T. W. Hunt, situated on Mesquite Creek near this place, was burned down yesterday evening. Some cotton standing in the stalls of the gin was destroyed, and several bales on the outside were damaged more or less, but not entirely destroyed. Unfortunately for Mr. Hunt there was no insurance on the property.

An election was held here to-day to determine whether or not the citizens of this town should tax themselves one-half of one per cent. for the support of public free schools. They said by their votes they would, there being only four votes against taxation.

## LOCKHART.

District Court in Session—The Brown-Ussery Murder Case.

Special to the Gazette.  
Lockhart, September 25.—Our district court commenced yesterday, Judge Moore presiding. The grand jury returned seven felony indictments last evening. The Brown-Ussery murder case is set for next Thursday week.

We have had good rains.

## BROWNWOOD.

Repairing the Ravages of the Fire—Merchants Rapidly Resuming Business—District Court.

Special to the Gazette.

Brownwood, September 25.—The traces of the great fire are rapidly vanishing. Several temporary buildings of canvas and rough plank have sprung up on the public square since the visitation of the flames Saturday morning, and six of the twelve burnt-out establishments have already resumed business. Dr. Johnson's wholesale and retail drug house opened for business bright and early Monday morning in his new quarters of rapid construction, and the First National bank, under the management of its energetic cashier, Mr. Brooks Smith, opened for business in the lower story on Monday morning. Altman & Bell's saloon opened to-day in their new building on the square. New structures are rising as by magic out of the ruins, and to about a week the whole block will be rebuilt, and every concern prosecuting their enterprise as of old. Every available team is carrying stone or lumber, and everybody is at work with a will. Bankers, merchants and professional men have temporarily turned carpenters and builders, and the sound of the trowel, the hammer and the saw issues loudly forth, and is music to the citizens' ears. The fire has given an increased impetus to the already enterprising people of this town, and soon no mark of the ruins will be visible.

The district court opened yesterday morning, Judge Blackburne and District Attorney Browning being present; also Matthews and Wilkes, of Lampasas, together with a large representation of the bar. The grand jury was empanelled, and then charged by the judge. The charge was full and complete on the different crimes and especially on fence cutting. The remainder of the day was spent on the non-jury docket, and this morning was devoted to the jury docket and the case of Kerr & Co. vs. J. W. Cooper on the school land question was decided in favor of the defendant. To-morrow was set apart to take up the criminal docket.

## WICHITA FALLS.

The Wire Cutting Question—On the Eve of the Big Barbecue—Celebrating the First Anniversary.

Special to the Gazette.

Wichita Falls, September 25.—While the adjoining county of Clay has been agitated by troubles over fence cutting, so far Wichita has been quiet on this subject. Our people do not approve of large pastures, yet so far the stockmen have acted so fairly that there has been no bad feeling aroused. Judge Wheeler's views, as expressed to Slade, are very generally endorsed, and there seems to be a necessity for legislation that will on one hand prohibit the fencing of any land not owned or leased by the party fencing, and on the other that will more effectively punish those who destroy fences, where the party owns the land enclosed.

Our town was alive to-day making preparations for the great barbecue that is to take place on Thursday. Committees were reporting, beefs coming in, fat sheep being placed in the pens and tables being prepared, and everything promises a success upon the part of the people of the town.

Comanche Jack was in town yesterday and reports that the Indians will be on hand prepared to exhibit the war dance in genuine aboriginal style.

While Wichita Falls will only be a year old on the 27th and celebrates her first anniversary, yet we doubt if any of her sister towns could claim a better showing during the first year of their existence, all things considered. We will send you statistics soon, showing freight shipments, etc.

We extend a cordial invitation to all to visit us on the 27th, take in the barbecue and see for themselves what we think will be the city of North-west Texas.

## HOUSTON.

Wedded by Wire to Galveston—The Telephone Working as Clear as a Bell—Early Extension.

Special to the Gazette.

Houston, September 25.—Yesterday afternoon the telephone wire between Houston and Galveston was completed, but no satisfactory communication could be held to-day. However, Managers Frazier and Foster remedied all faults and the two cities are now in reality wedded by wire. The phones work as clearly as a bell, and as perfectly as if a few blocks, instead of fifty miles, separated the two cities. In a short time it is contemplated to extend the system to Brenham, Austin, San Antonio and other points nearer home. The line was principally occupied to-day by messages of a congratulatory character.

## WHITESBORO.

A Dramatic Entertainment—The Cotton Market and the Fall Trade.

Special to the Gazette.

Whitesboro, September 25.—The Mabel Norton troupe are here. They played "Lord Dundreary" last night at the college hall to a large and appreciative audience.

Our cotton market is a little dull, owing to the decline in prices. S. M. Tapp of Waco, cotton buyer for the Providence Mills, Rhode Island, was in town yesterday examining our cotton. He pronounced the staple here to be very fine, and contemplated making arrangements to buy some of our cotton.

The fall trade has fairly opened now, and is very satisfactory to our merchants.

## Canadian Cigar Makers.

Toronto, Ont., September 25.—The cigar makers' convention concluded its sittings to-day, and decided to hold the next meeting in Cincinnati. A resolution was unanimously adopted condemning the progressive union of New York.

## Brooklyn Bridge Cars.

New York, September 25.—The railroad cars run for the public to-day on the Brooklyn bridge for the first time.

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NEW YORK.

Off For the Buffalo Convention—Several Large Failures.

New York, September 25.—About 450 members of the county Democracy left for Buffalo this morning, to attend the Democratic state convention. The train consisted of fifteen Wagner cars. The Tammany delegates to the same convention also started this morning. The party numbered 500 members, and required nineteen cars, on either sides of which were banners bearing appropriate mottoes.

Our Treaty With Mexico.

Washington, September 25.—Consul General Merritt at London in a letter to the state department says the proposed commercial treaty between the United States and Mexico has naturally created great attention in England, both in business and government circles, and parliament is being constantly memorialized by commercial bodies to again open diplomatic relations with Mexico, so that English trade with that country may not be supplanted by the United States.

Into the Depths of Erie.

Chicago, September 25.—The *Daily News* special from Buffalo, New York, says during a terrible storm last night on Lake Erie the schooner York State, went down with all hands, consisting of Capt. Hayes and six men. The schooner was loaded with 16,000 bushels of wheat.

Conference of Charities.

Louisville, September 24.—The tenth annual conference of charities and corrections of the United States began its session here to-night. About two hundred persons, delegates and spectators, are present.

President Arthur.

Providence, R. I., September 25.—President Arthur embarked on the steamer Dexter, at Newport, for Bristol this morning.

Seed Rye.

Choice rye, suitable for seed, at elevator. Brooks & W.

Fleischman's compressed meat. Spencer & Tucker. Toward

the go.

Just arrived an elegant assortment of gentlemen's slippers at Lewis & Co.

Frederick Billings, of the *St. Louis Pacific*, denies that he has been asked to go to the Pacific coast or become a stockholder. His indebtedness is only \$32,000, which is small for a magnate. He laid railway with a large loan. The total length of the line is 1,954 miles, with 448 miles of track and its earnings will probably be \$1,000,000 before the first interest on its bonded debt.

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